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BIOLOGY GROUP, BHABHA ATOMIC RESEARCH CENTRE, BOMBAY

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1. DR. A.R. GOPAL-AYENGAR, 58 EMINENT BIOLOGIST,
STUDIED AND TAUGHT CYTOLOGY AND GENETICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
TORONTO AND RECEIVED THE ELIZABETH ANN WINTERCORBYN
AWARD IN 1941 FOR RESEARCH IN APPLIED BIOLOGY AND THE J.H.
BHABHA PRIZEMAN AWARD FOR ORIGINAL WORK IN CYTOLOGY IN 1948.
DURING 1951-52 HE WAS IN LONDON AND STOCKHOLM AS A SENIOR
RESEARCH FELLOW.

2. INTERNATIONALLY HONOURED, HE IS RECEIPT
OF GOI PADMA SHRI AWARD AND WAS APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED
NATIONS' SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON THE EFFECT OF ATOMIC RADIATION.

3. AUTHOR OF OVER 60 RESEARCH PAPERS, HIS CONTRIBUTIONS
INCLUDE: GAMMA AND ALPHA SPECTROMETRY OF PLANTS OF HIGH
RADIATION AREAS OF INDIA; GENE DUPLICATION AND CHROMOSOME
SYNTHESIS IN BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS; INDUCTION OF HIGH-YIELDING
POTENTIAL IN ECONOMICALLY IMPORTANT CROP PLANTS AND CYTOLOGICAL
RATIONALE OF MALIGNANT TUMOURS.

4. HE HAS ORGANIZED EXTENSIVE RESEARCH IN RADIATION FOOD
PRESERVATION, PASTEURIZATION AND DISINFESTATION OF
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